## Maine Revised Statutes

## **Title 12: CONSERVATION**

Chapter 919: REGISTRATION AND TRANSPORT OF HARVESTED ANIMALS HEADING: PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (new); Pt. D, §7 (aff); c. 614, §9 (aff)

## §12303-A. TIME LIMITS FOR REGISTERING BEAR, DEER, MOOSE OR WILD TURKEY

1. **Time limits.** Except as provided in subsection 1-A, a person may not keep any of the following unregistered wild animals at home or any place of storage for more than 18 hours:

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A.Bear; [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]
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B. Deer; [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]

C. Moose; or [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422
(AFF).]

D. Wild turkey. [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]

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[ 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]
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- **1-A. Exceptions.** The following are exceptions to the time limitation for registering harvested wild animals established in subsection 1:
  - A. A person may keep a harvested animal in an official registration station for that animal or at the office of a game warden for more than 18 hours; [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]
  - B. A person may leave an unregistered animal harvested by that person in the woods if that person notifies a game warden within 18 hours as to the location of that animal and the circumstances necessitating leaving that animal in the woods; and [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]
  - C. A person on a hunting trip in an unorganized township and staying at a temporary place of lodging may keep an unregistered harvested animal at the temporary place of lodging for no more than 7 days or until that person leaves the woods, whichever comes first. [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF).]

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2. **Penalty.** A person who violates this section commits a Class E crime.

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[ 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §230 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

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2003, c. 655, §B230 (NEW). 2003, c. 655, §B422 (AFF).
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